Land & Buildings of USDRFC

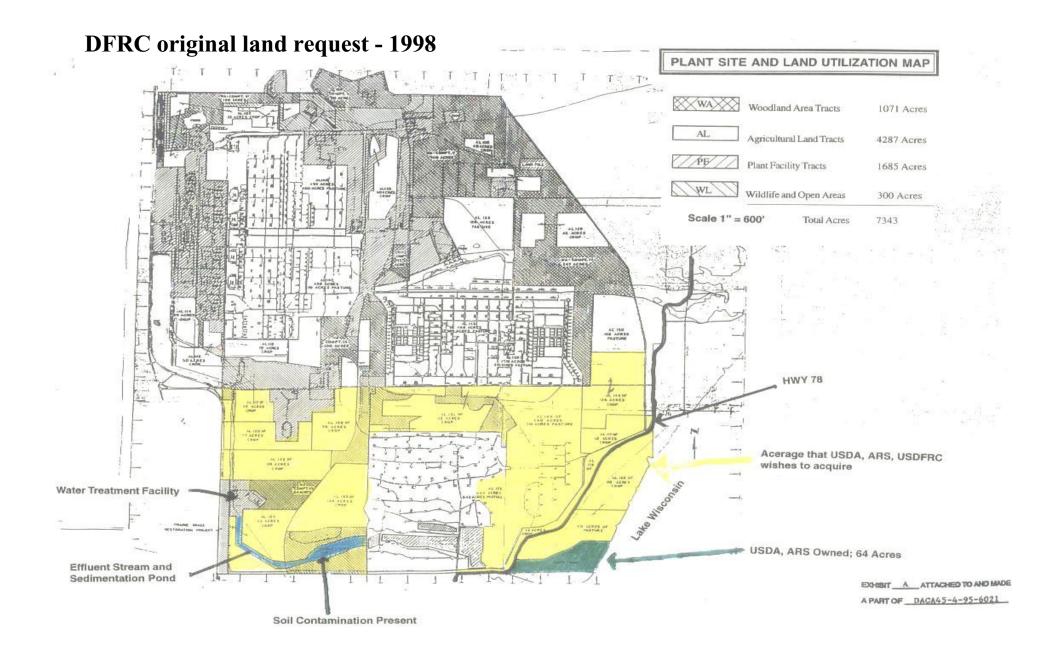
Field Facility, Prairie du Sac

- ¥ 64 acres with dairy barns, storage buildings and office.
- **Y** Lease of land from BAAP
 - -400 acres alfalfa
 - -420 acres corn
 - —220 acres soybeans
 - —100 small grain
 - —250 acres pasture



BAAP Land Transfer Update

- Initial transfer request went to GSA 1998
- Requested a no-cost transfer of 1718 acres
- Transfer was approved by OMB
 - Pay \$1500 per acre for all above 1400 acres ('\$477,000)
- Transfer delayed a 3rd time until October 1, 2001
- Beginning September 18, 2001 GSA has conducted 7 meetings with representatives of WI (DNR, Agriculture, Department of Administration, Governors Office), Ho-Chunk Nation, USDFRC, Sauk County, Merrimac Township and Sumpter Township (now called BIG Badger InterGovernmental Group)



Land Use of Land in Original Request

Field Facility, Prairie du Sac

- —64 acres with dairy barns, storage buildings and office.
- —Land Leased from BAAP & transfer from GSA

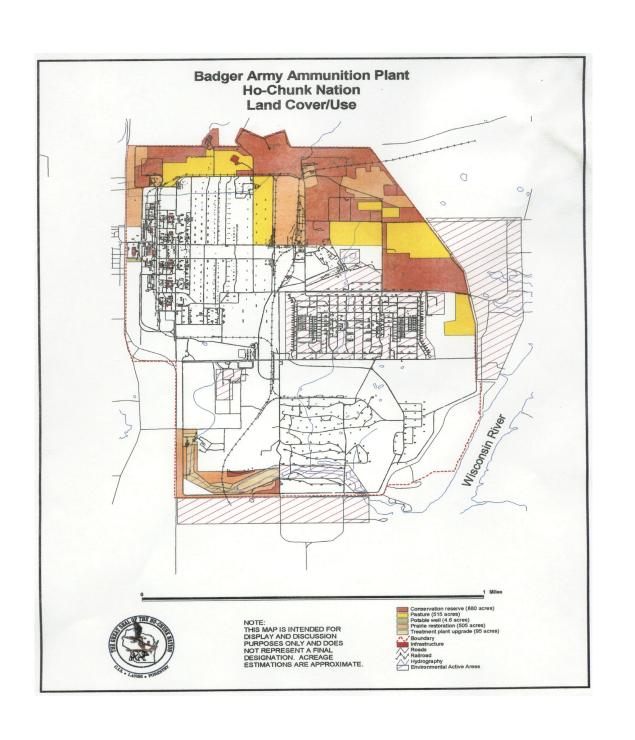
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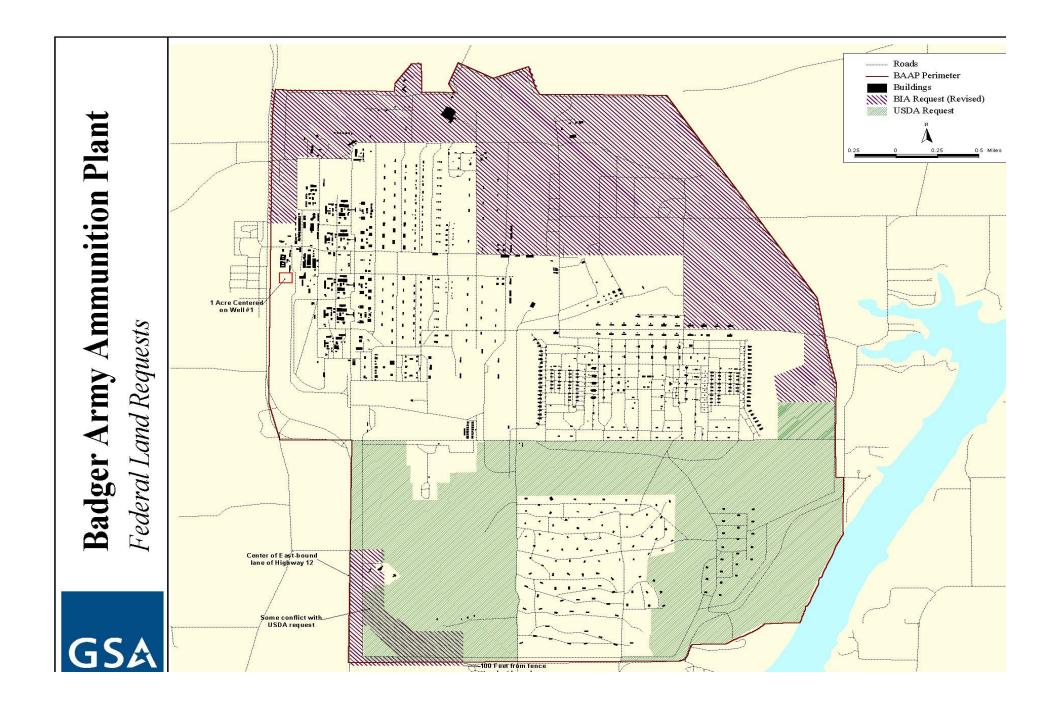
- **Blue 986 cropland BAAP 79-99**
- Green 259 pasture BAAP 79-99
- Pink- 169 new cropland
- **Salmon 304 new non-crop**
- **Y** Total Land Transfer 1718



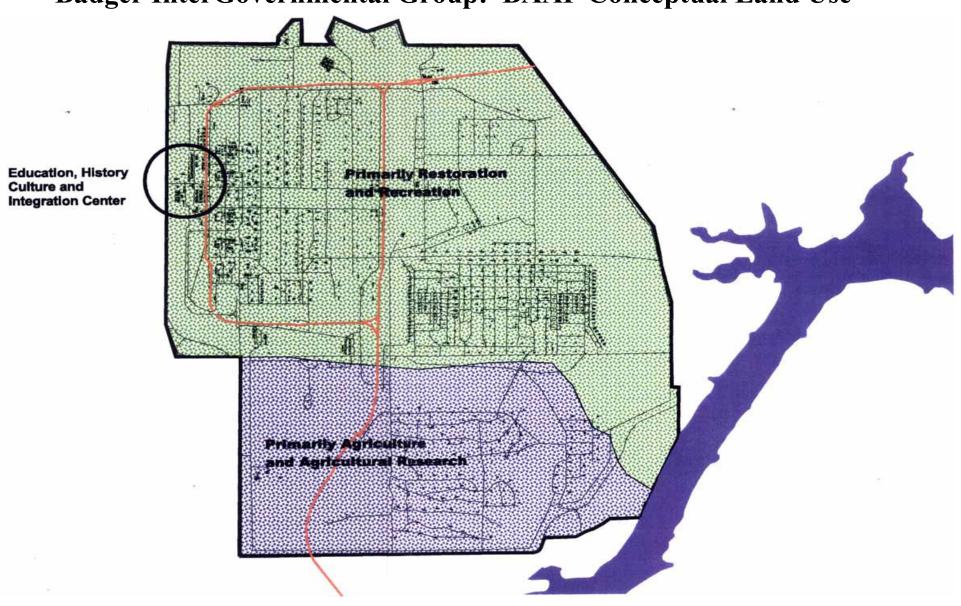
BAAP Land Transfer Issues

- ➤ All land will be owned by 3 partners (DNR, DFRC and Ho-Chunk Nation)
- ➤ All partners will implement Badger Reuse Plan to its fullest potential without hampering implementation of their mission
- ➤ Reuse plan calls for an ecological corridor connecting Devil s Lake State Park (North of BAAP south to Wisconsin River (East of DFRC Farm)
- > DFRC must be able to complete its mission
 - **Essential land to conduct research**
 - Complete research and field operations in timely manner
 - Close proximity to farm buildings

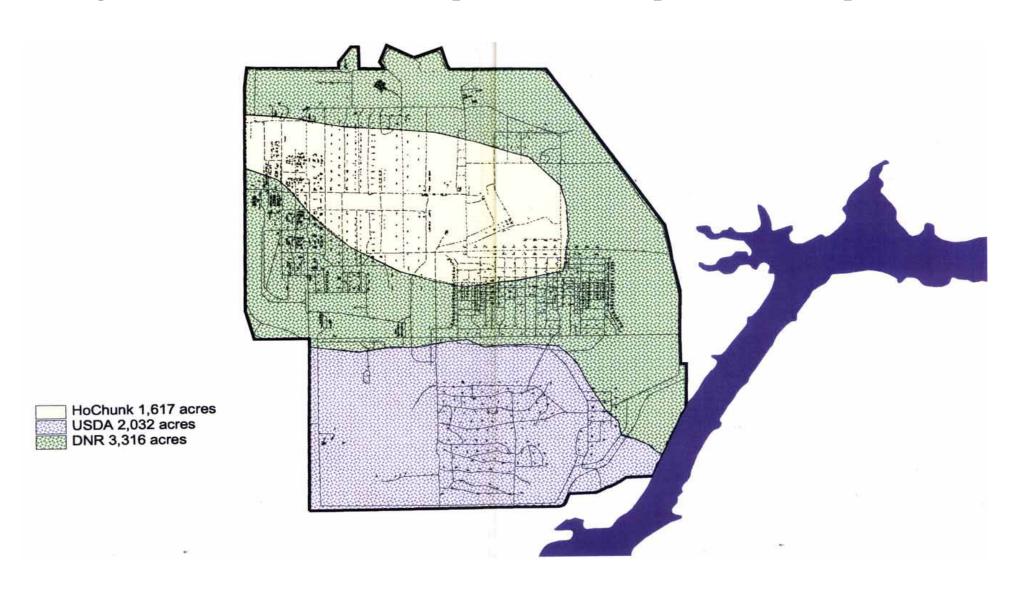




Badger InterGovernmental Group: BAAP Conceptual Land Use



Badger InterGovernmental Group: BAAP Conceptual Ownership



Proposed USDFRC BAAP Land Transfer Request Modification

Original and Modified Transfer

--acres--

Original and modified

Blue — cropland 970

Blue —non cropland 58

Green — pastureland 218

Orange - non cropland 250

Land added to request

Purple — cropland 233

Total of revised request 1729

Land deleted from request

Red —eropland, pasture,

non cropland 221



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- Improve biomass has \$400,000 for Madison
- Increase to Dairy Forage Research
 - ➤ Integrated farming systems research \$500,000
 - ➤ Plant improvement for dairy cattle \$500,000
 - ➤ Wisconsin Integrated Cropping Trial System \$250,000

Dairy Forage Research Potentials for Coshocton

- **Y** Measurements of nutrients within various scaled, instrumented watershed treated with lactating dairy cattle grazing forages
- **Y** Linkages of other ARS units
- **Y** Research partnership with Ohio State University
- **Y** Capital expenditures may dictate different animals

